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RECOMMENDATIONS MADE

1. Set up a small office of Personnel Policy under the DDCI to establish overall personnel policy, monitor adherence, and handle career management of employees:

GS-14 and above; on rotational assignments; on detail to other agencies

and directed by an individual appointed from outside the Agency.

- 2. Make promotions of lower grade professionals more competitive to reduce the GS 14/15 bottleneck/bulge.
- 3. Reduce the number of managerial positions and layers to make room for specialists (persons not motivated for management careers but possessing special skills) at higher grades.
- 4. Relax time-in-grade standards for promotion.
- 5. Shift responsibility for job specification/grade level definition from Position Management and Classification to the local manager.
- 6. Expand use of Civil Service Commission practice of the double-jump promotion at the lower professional grades.
- 7. Reinstitute/formalize a three year trial/probationary period for all newly hired employees.
- 8. Disseminate more widely career-planning data, especially regarding ceilings, promotion rates, etc.
- 9. Examine the possibility of setting up distinct panels involved in evaluation and career planning for employee pool (GS 14/15) from which future supergrades will be drawn.
- 10. Examine the desirability of developing procedures for disposition/ handling of the lowest-rated employees.

- 11. Examine the desirability of using closed-circuit TV/video-taped presentations for the DCI to communicate better with Agency personnel.
- 12. Include recognition of recent Agency accomplishments in the Notes From The Director.
- 13. Reach out personally to Agency employees, e.g., walk-through tours of offices; receive personalized presentations by individuals.
- 14. DCI lunch with employees occasionally.
- 15. Prepare comprehensive package of recommendations on personnel promotion and specifically how to improve personnel flow (assigned by DCI to DDA MAG).